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Date: October 25, 1999

Docket No.: 0905-0225P

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a continuation divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 08/696,062 filed on August 13, 1996, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference,
by

Norihsa HANEDA

for

FILING SYSTEM AND REPRODUCTION APPARATUS

1. Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if applicable).
2. The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

| | | LARGE ENTITY | | SMALL ENTITY | |
|--|--|--------------|------------|---------------|------------|
| BASIC FEE | | \$760.00 | | \$380.00 | |
| NUMBER FILED | | NUMBER EXTRA | | RATE FEE | |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | | 4-20 = 0 | | x 18 = \$0.00 | |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | | 2-3 = 0 | | x 78 = \$0.00 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED | | | + \$260.00 | | + \$135.00 |
| | | TOTAL | | \$760.00 | |
| | | | | \$0.00 | |

3. A check in the amount of \$760.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.

4. Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.

5. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:

a. --This application is a continuation divisional of co-pending Application No. 08/696,062, filed on August 13, 1996, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference. --

b. --This application is a continuation divisional of co-pending Application No. 08/696,062, filed on August 13, 1996. Application No. 08/696,062 is the national phase of PCT International Application No. PCT/____/____ filed on ____ under 35 U.S.C. § 371. The entire contents of each of the above-identified applications are hereby incorporated by reference.--

6. Transfer the drawings/photographs from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this request is enclosed for filing in the prior application file.

7. Enclosed is/are ten (10) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.

8. A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 08/696,062 on _____. See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.

9. The prior application is assigned to Fuji Photo Film Co., Ltd., Kanagawa, Japan.

10. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

11a. Priority of Application No(s). 7-237876 filed in Japan on August 24, 1995 is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on August 13, 1996.

11b. Priority of International Appln. ____ filed on ____ under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and ____ Application No. ____ filed in ____ on ____ under 35 U.S.C. § 119 are hereby reclaimed.

12. An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.

13. Address all future communications to:

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14. An extension of time for ____ () month(s) until ____ has been submitted in parent Application No. 08/696,062 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.

15. Also enclosed herewith is the following:

Letter submitting Co-Pending Application Information

Letter to the Official Draftsperson (submitting two (2) sheets of corrected drawing)

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Date: October 25, 1999

Sir:

Under the provisions of MPEP § 2001.06(b), the Examiner is hereby advised of the following co-pending U.S. Application(s):

| <u>Appl. No.</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> | <u>Group</u> |
|------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| 08/956,028 | October 22, 1997 | 2721 |
| 08/839,361 | April 18, 1997 | 2606 |
| 08/788,447 | January 29, 1997 | 2612 |

The subject matter contained in the above-listed co-pending U.S. application(s) may be deemed to relate to the present application, and thus may be material to the prosecution of this instant application.

The above-listed co-pending application(s) is(are) not to be construed as prior art. By bringing the above-listed application(s) to the attention of the Examiner, Applicant(s) do(does) NOT waive any confidentiality concerning the above-listed co-pending

application(s) or this application. See MPEP § 101. Furthermore, if said application(s) should not mature into patents, such application(s) should be preserved in secrecy under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 122 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.14.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Date: October 25, 1999

Sir:

Attached hereto is/are two (2) sheet(s) of corrected formal drawings, namely Figures 1 and 10(A)-10(C), which comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.84. The drawings should be made a part of the record of the above-identified application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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